

Camac, C.N.B.

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Dr. C. N. B. Camac,
76 East 56th St.,
New York City

Dear Dr. Camac:

Your little coin which you have so generously presented to our collection, is a plated piece of Neapolis, a city in Macedonia. These plated pieces were made by putting a thin coating of silver over a core of copper. They are probably ancient counterfeits and we do not know a great deal about them. Usually the plating of silver gives away at its weakest point and with the rusting of the copper, the plating is detectable. Not only was the practice common to the Greeks, but it maintains also in the coinage of the Romans and as the little piece from your collection has most of the surface gone on one side, it shows the manner of its making very plainly.

Thank you very much for your courtesy in presenting it to our Museum.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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